

security services coupled to the communications engine for determining client privileges, the security services further capable to examine the identity of a user of the client and the level of authentication to determine the client privileges;

a web server for enabling the client to select a service from a set of available personal information management services, the set of available services based on the client privileges;

a host engine coupled to the security services and to the web server for providing to the client service communication code that enables communication with a selected service; and

a key safe for storing keys, each key for enabling communication between the client and a respective service from the set of available services, thereby enabling the client to access the available services without storing the service communication code and keys at the client.

20. (Amended) A computer-based method comprising:

establishing a communications link with a client;

determining client privileges, the determining including the step of examining the identity of a user of the client and the level of authentication;

enabling the client to select a service from a set of available personal information management services, the set of available services based on the client privileges;

providing to the client service communication code that enables communication with a selected service; and

retrieving a key from a set of keys, each key corresponding to a respective service from the set of available services, the retrieved key for enabling communication between the client and the selected service, thereby enabling the client to access the available services without storing the service communication code and keys at the client.

29. (Amended) A system on a server computer system, comprising:

means for establishing a communications link with a client;

means for determining client privileges including means for examining the identity of a user of the client and the level of authentication;

means for enabling the client to select a service from a set of available personal information management services, the set of available services based on the client privileges;

means for providing to the client service communication code that enables communication with a selected service; and

means for retrieving a key from a set of keys, each key corresponding to a respective service from the set of available services, the retrieved key for enabling communication between the client and the selected service, thereby enabling the client to access the available services without storing the service communication code and keys at the client.

30. (Amended) A computer-based storage medium storing a program for causing a computer to perform the steps of:

establishing a communications link with a client;

determining client privileges including examining the identity of a user of the client and the level of authentication;

enabling the client to select a service from a set of available personal information management services, the set of available services based on the client privileges;

providing to the client service communication code that enables communication with a selected service; and

retrieving a key from a set of keys, each key corresponding to a respective service from the set of available services, the retrieved key for enabling communication between the client and the selected service, thereby enabling the client to access the available services without storing the service communication code and keys at the client.

32. (Amended) A method, comprising:

receiving, from a client, as an advance communication, security information corresponding to one or more secured network personal information management services;

storing the security information at a location remote from the client;

64 receiving a client request from the client to access a secured network personal information management service; and

using the stored security information to enable the client access to the secured network service without requiring the client to supply the stored security information.

37. (Amended) A system, comprising:

means for receiving, from a client, as an advance communication, security information corresponding to one or more secured network personal information management services;

means for storing the security information at a location remote from the client;

means for receiving a client request from the client to access a secured network personal information management service; and

means for using the stored security information to enable the client access to the secured network service without requiring the client to supply the stored security information.

38. (Amended) A computer-readable storage medium storing program code for causing a computer to perform the steps of:

receiving, from a client, as an advance communication, security information corresponding to one or more secured network personal information management services;

storing the security information at a location remote from the client;

receiving a client request from the client to access a secured network personal information management service; and

using the stored security information to enable the client access to the secured network service without requiring the client to supply the stored security information.